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REMARKS

Claims 1-14 are pending in the present Application. Claims 1, 11, and 12 have been amended, leaving claims 1-14 for consideration upon entry of the present Amendment. No new matter has been introduced by these amendments. Reconsideration and allowance of the claims are respectfully requested in view of the above amendments and the following remarks.

Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 112, Second Paragraph

Claims 1-14 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. In particular, the Examiner has stated that the language "blends thereof, or a combination comprising at least one of the foregoing polymers" is indefinite.

Applicants' representative wishes to thank Examiner Cain for discussing the claims in a telephonic interview conducted on December 4, 2006. The Applicants contend that the claims as currently amended fully comply with the Office Action and that the claims herein should now be allowable. Accordingly, reconsideration and allowance are requested.

Form PTO-1449 filed January 30, 2004

The Applicants note that the Examiner has not yet returned an initialed copy of the Form PTO-1449 filed on January 30, 2004 (three pages; mail room date February 2, 2004). It is respectfully requested that the Examiner consider the art cited therein and return an initialed copy of the form in the next substantive action.

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If there are any additional charges with respect to this Amendment or otherwise, please charge them to Deposit Account No. 07-0893.

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